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## THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

### Points and Paragraphs of Things Present, Past and Future.

While Pretoria, the Boer capital, has surrendered to the British, it does not appear altogether that the war in South Africa is over. There is ground for the belief that the Boers will adopt warfare similar to that being pursued by the Filipinos against the United States forces. Having only five thousand men the Boers knew that even with Pretoria well fortified they could not afford to stand the siege of sixty thousand British. They will not surrender until they have fought much longer—a prediction which seems to be warranted by the outlook.

It has been given out, and has not been questioned, that a respectable colored brick mason, name John Young, died at Oxford recently and the colored people refused to bury him and at last the white people took up the matter and gave the colored man a decent burial. The cause for their refusal to bury one of their race was the fact the negro Young was a Democrat.

When party prejudice runs so rife as to cause people of any race to ignore the common claims of humanity, those so acting ought to be deprived of the privilege of the ballot; and the amendment ought to disfranchise such ignorant and hate-harbing people.

In view of the situation in China the following concerning the Empress Dowager, taken from the Atlanta Journal under her picture, is of especial interest:

"The Empress Dowager of China is the one woman in the world who defies all Europe. She is now about 60 years old, and for the last 40 years has exerted an all-powerful influence in directing the affairs of China. She was born in Peking, and is variously said to have come from a high family or an humble one. She is the second wife of the Emperor, and because she bore him a son and the first wife did not, she takes precedence. Her beauty is said to have been remarkable in her early years, and has not wholly faded now. As to education she has received the best China can give. A native wit and cleverness supplies what she may lack in book knowledge. Being a Manchurian woman, she is one of the prevailing dynasty in China, and therefore most secure in her position. She has always been opposed to the presence of foreigners in China, and she is said to have encouraged the 'Boxer' outbreaks in her provinces."

Rabbi Edward B. M. Browne, of Augusta, Ga., is a staunch Republican, but says that McKinley will not get the vote of the Jews again if he is re-nominated. He has a grievance against President McKinley because he has refused to appoint any Jewish chaplain for the Jewish soldiers in the United States army. Rabbi Browne, though a Republican, has been staff chaplain to Governor Chandler, of Georgia, for three months. In an interview reported by the Atlanta Journal as to his position against President McKinley he speaks in positive terms. The following paragraph is especially striking:

"The outraged religion of our soldier boys, who have Catholic priests to preach for them on the day of the atonement, and who bury them with crucifixes before their eyes, these crimes against Judaism will be avenged next November. The high-toned reform radical Jews who are anxious to get offices by appointment as ministers to Turkey, which Cleveland made a Jewish mission, who want to be sub-treasurers in Cincinnati, and they and their hangers-on will follow McKinley to his political grave, and few honest men will be amongst the mourners, for we, the Jews, who still have the religion of Judaism, will vote as we pray, in the name of God, in the name of justice, in the name of Abraham, the father of our religion, and in the name of Washington, the father of our country."

THE GREAT REMEDY of the day is unquestionably Pain-Killer, for the instant relief of all burns, scalds, bruises, etc., and for pains in the stomach and bowels as well as in sudden attacks of cholera morbus. No family should pretend to keep house without it always by them. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. Price 25c. and 50c.

## TOBACCO PESTS.

### Some of Them Described. HOW TO DESTROY THEM.

Very severe damage is annually done in tobacco fields by insect pests and to a lesser degree by parasitic fungi. Much of this damage may be prevented by proper attention. Tobacco, like other crops, must be sprayed or dusted with an insecticide. The best treatment for tobacco and one that is entirely safe, is the following:

Paris Green..... 1 lb.  
Flowers of Sulphur..... 3 to 5 lbs.  
Powdered soap stone or air-slacked lime..... 100 lbs.

Directions: Mix thoroughly and apply to the plants while wet with dew or rain. The first treatment should be applied soon after the plants have been set out. The second two or three weeks later, and a third two or three weeks after the second. If the weather is wet, more frequent treatment may be necessary, but usually three treatments will be sufficient for the crop and season. No treatment should be given within 15 days from time of harvesting crop. The best instrument for applying the above powder is a so-called power gun. Addresses of dealers in powder guns will be furnished by the undersigned to those who want them. The above powder may also be put on by jarring from a coarse sack held in the hand, or by two sacks attached one to each end of a pole long enough to reach across two rows. The pole may be carried on a mule's back. Only a slight dusting is necessary, but the powder should be evenly distributed on leaves so that no insect can gnaw any leaf without eating the poison. No possible harm can come to the tobacco or those using it from this treatment which is similar to that given fruit for so many years without the least danger or complaint.

The worst and most destructive pest of tobacco is the flea beetle. (*Epitrix parvula*.) This is a small, oval, brownish beetle about 1-8 inch long. It eats small, round, pin holes in the leaves which then admit a saprophytic fungus which enlarges the holes. These holes run the value of the leaf for many purposes and in every case render it light and chaffy. The larva or grub of this beetle also feeds upon the roots of the plants and does much damage. Besides tobacco, this insect feeds upon Jamestown weed and horse nettle, and to some extent on ground cherry, tomato, egg plant and pepper and other plants of the tobacco or solanaceous family. If the Jamestown weed, horse nettle and other solanaceous weeds in the vicinity of a proposed tobacco field are heavily poisoned with Paris green a week or ten days before setting out the tobacco plants, the chances of damage to the tobacco will be greatly lessened. These weeds act as nurseries and supports for the beetles before the tobacco comes on the field. The tobacco is so much more juicy and tender than the cultivated crop. After the tobacco has been set out all these solanaceous weeds, horse nettle, Jamestown, ground cherry, etc., should be cut out. After the crop is gathered the stumps should be plowed under at once or heavily poisoned to prevent them from breeding insect pests which will damage succeeding crops.

Next in importance to the flea beetle we must place the horn worm, *Protoparce Carolina*. The remedy advised for the flea beetle will at the same time serve for the horn worm, provided it is applied in time. But if the worms get large before being poisoned they must be hand-picked. Pickers should carry a small bucket holding some water and a little kerosene oil. Throw the worms into this as soon as picked. The bud worm or boll worm, *Heliothis*, is often very destructive to young tobacco by eating into the leaf buds. The best remedy for this insect is a mixture of Paris green 1 part and finely ground corn meal 100 parts. Dust this on the buds. This worm will not eat tobacco while it can get corn. Tobacco is not a good crop to follow corn in rotation. The leaf miner, *Gloeotia Solonella*, is a small greenish caterpillar which eats out the green part of the leaf, leaving the outer skins intact. It makes irregular or blotch mines in the leaves.

Many tobacco growers mistake this for a kind of rot due to wet weather. This little insect does considerable injury in some localities. It infests all the other plants of the tobacco family

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## BOYS ON THE FARM.

### Are They as Valuable as Colts? WHAT TO DO FOR THEM.

J. O. Shroyer in Land and a Living. Our farm papers are full of overflowing helpful hints that tell us how to produce immense crops of corn, wheat, potatoes, and fruit. We are told just how to grow the best of various crops, and how best to market them so as to obtain the highest financial success.

We are told how to treat our colts and calves so as to develop them into the finest horses and cattle; page after page will tell us how to handle our milk and cream so that butter will reach the state of perfection. But the children of the farm do not seem to be considered at all in the most of our farm journals. They are left out entirely, or it may be that occasionally a story is put in some out-of-the-way corner, and they are dismissed without further consideration.

We believe that through all this neglect the children of the farm have done nobly? We are proud to know that so many have gained great distinction. Yet, after all, have we done our duty? Is it more important that every calf should grow into a perfect animal than the boys and girls of the farm should develop into superb men and women?

Why do our boys go from the farm to the city? Is it not because they have not been shown in early life that the farm is better for their presence? Let every farm journal have a department that shall be especially edited in the interest of these most noble productions of our rural communities.

It is especially in the interest of the farm boy that this article is written. How many fathers are there who never stop to consider that the boys in their homes are going to be compelled to battle for supremacy in an era that will be in advance of the one in which they are living. Progress has seemingly quickened its pace in the last couple of decades.

And no father can hide from an intelligent son the fact that the present is better than the past, and the promises of the future are still greater than what we now enjoy.

There are men who still believe that the boy should walk when he plows because they did so in their youth; there are men who are so wrapped up in the accomplishments that they achieved in their youthful days that they continually deery any progressive idea that presents itself to the active brains of their children. There are others who do not remember that they ever loved to have a holiday. To hear their story one must believe that they were prodigies of energy and industry.

Does it ever occur to your mind that in nine-tenths of all instances a father or mother during the first ten years of the life of their children can and do set the limits of the child's achievements? You either give it a noble purpose and uplifting desires, or cast over it the shadow of discouragement or stolid indifference.

Oh, fathers and mothers, this is a great question, before which the quality of a few potatoes or a few bushels of grain dwindle into insignificance. Because you live on the farm is no reason why your son should be an ignorant or a drudge, and in these days of educational progress you cannot expect to hide this fact from them any longer, nor would any one who is worthy the name of a father desire to do so.

There are so many who have left no record of greatness to the world unless

The man without a purpose is like a ship without a rudder—a waf, a nothing, a no man. Have a purpose in life, if it is only to kill and sell oxen well, but have a purpose; and having it, throw such strength of mind and muscle into your work as God has given you.—Carlyle.

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## VENICE WITHOUT WATER.

Youth's Companion. Venice without water would hardly be Venice at all, but we are assured there is a possibility that the picturesque Venice of today may become a city of the past, and eventually Venice may be waterless.

According to Professor Marinelli, the regular increase in the delta of the river Po is such that in process of time the northern Adriatic will be dry, and Venice will be no more upon the sea. The annual surveys show that the mean annual increase of the delta during 70 years has been three-tenths of a square mile.

An encroachment upon the sea of three-tenths of a mile in a year means a large increase in a century. It appears that a total increase in six centuries has been about 198 square miles. The increase is continuing, and the gulf of Venice is doomed to disappear.

No immediate alarm need be felt, and it will not be necessary to hurry off to Venice to take a farewell look at the city in its present picturesqueness. Professor Marinelli calculates that between 190 and 120 centuries will elapse before the entire northern Adriatic will have become dry land.

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Remember now and always that life is no idle dream, but a solemn reality, based upon eternity and unaccompanied by eternity. Find out your task, stand to it, the night cometh when no man can work.—Thomas Carlyle.

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A Word in private to... **Suffering Women.** No one but yourselves know of the suffering you go through. Why do you suffer? It isn't necessary. Don't lose your health and beauty, for the loss of one is speedily followed by the loss of the other. Don't feel "weak" and "worn out." Impure blood is at the bottom of all your trouble.



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DATED	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.	Su.
May 27 1900.	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00
Leave Weldon	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00
Ar. Rocky Mt.	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00
Leave Tarboro	12:21	6:00	12:21	6:00	12:21	6:00	12:21
Ar. Rocky Mt.	1:05	8:02	1:05	8:02	1:05	8:02	1:05
Ar. Fayetteville	2:25	11:10	2:25	11:10	2:25	11:10	2:25
Ar. Selma	4:50	11:10	4:50	11:10	4:50	11:10	4:50
Ar. Florence	7:20	11:10	7:20	11:10	7:20	11:10	7:20
Ar. Goldsboro	9:50	11:10	9:50	11:10	9:50	11:10	9:50
Ar. Weldon	11:50	8:02	11:50	8:02	11:50	8:02	11:50

**TRAINS GOING NORTH.**

DATED	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.	Su.
May 27 1900.	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00
Leave Weldon	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00
Ar. Rocky Mt.	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00	8:02	1:00
Leave Tarboro	12:21	6:00	12:21	6:00	12:21	6:00	12:21
Ar. Rocky Mt.	1:05	8:02	1:05	8:02	1:05	8:02	1:05
Ar. Fayetteville	2:25	11:10	2:25	11:10	2:25	11:10	2:25
Ar. Selma	4:50	11:10	4:50	11:10	4:50	11:10	4:50
Ar. Florence	7:20	11:10	7:20	11:10	7:20	11:10	7:20
Ar. Goldsboro	9:50	11:10	9:50	11:10	9:50	11:10	9:50
Ar. Weldon	11:50	8:02	11:50	8:02	11:50	8:02	11:50

Daily except Monday. Daily except Sunday. Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Yadkin Division Main Line—Train leaves Wilmington 9:00 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 12:05 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 12:25 p. m., arrives Sanford 1:42 p. m., returns Fayetteville 3:41 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 3:46 p. m., arrives Wilmington 6:40 p. m.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8:05 a. m., Maxton 9:10 a. m., Red Springs 9:40 a. m., Hope Mills 10:22 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 10:55 a. m., returns Fayetteville 4:40 p. m., Hope Mills 4:55 p. m., Red Springs 5:35 p. m., Maxton 6:15 p. m., arrives Bennettsville 7:15 p. m. Connections at Fayetteville with train No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Seaboard Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

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Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:30 a. m. and 2:50 p. m., arrive Farme 9:10 a. m. and 7:00 p. m., returning leave Farme 9:30 a. m. and 6:30 p. m., arrive Washington 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., daily except Sunday. Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday 5:30 p. m., Sunday, 4:15 p. m., arrives Plymouth 7:40 p. m., 6:10 p. m., returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7:50 a. m. and Sunday 9:00 a. m., arrives Tarboro 10:10 a. m., 11:00 a. m.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro daily, except Sunday, 5:30 a. m., arriving Smithfield 6:45 p. m., returning leaves Smithfield 7:45 a. m., arrives Goldsboro 9:40 a. m. Trains on Nashville Branch leave Rocky Mount at 9:30 a. m., 3:40 p. m., arrive Nashville 10:20 a. m., 4:03 p. m., Spring Hope 11:00 a. m., 4:25 p. m., returning leave Spring Hope 11:30 a. m., 4:55 p. m., Nashville 11:45 a. m., 5:25 p. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 12:10 a. m., 6:00 p. m., daily except Sunday.

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